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In 1915, the sum of \$357,000 is to be given away in free seeds, and in many cases this money will probably go as in the past to people long since dead, or at least removed from the address given on the mailing list. In the United States about 32,000,000 people are engaged in agriculture, and so are, perhaps, glad to contribute toward free seed contribution, but how about the other 58,500,000 who happen to have no interest in agriculture? For what possible reason should they be asked to contribute toward giving farmers something for nothing?

Another Aspect.

But there is a still more important aspect of the case. In every city or town of importance are seedsmen who supply goods of a quality at a fair profit, and are not only a great convenience, but a positive necessity, especially to the suburbanite without time to go in for seed-raising himself. Now the whole year's business in the seed trade is practically over in the two months of spring, and the profits from this business must carry the dealer through the entire year. This fact in itself makes the seed business very difficult to handle, surely without the government stepping in to hand out free seeds to anyone who asks for them at just the time when a seedsmen is counting on a proper trade to keep him going.

Is that Uncle Sam doesn't seem to consider the welfare of a few seedsmen as compared with a large number of votes? Senator Jones and Congressman Smith like favors to hand out, perhaps, and it is easier to hold a position by patronage and promises than it is to depend on actual ability? It is such a matter to put Farmer Brown on the list and promise a large package of seeds, whereas to be a statesman of recognized ability requires, unfortunately, brains, and brains are limited.

The most extraordinary part of all this is the fact that these free seeds are all bought abroad. That is, the \$357,000 taken from the pockets of the taxpayers to be given as presents to people who ordinarily would refuse to accept something for nothing is all to be spent abroad. The next distribution of free seeds, aggregating 44 tons, has been contracted for from an English firm! Thus all this large sum is not only to be given away in presents to a small part of the community, but the seeds which might have been bought at home from our own seedsmen are to be bought abroad.

This disgraceful free distribution of free seeds has been too long ignored, and the voice of protest loud should have been raised years ago in order to help reform, in at least a small degree, this waste which so vitally affects the honest conduct of ordinary business.

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## CHELSEA

Miss Ida E. Lougee of Candia, N. H., was in town last week as the guest of Mrs. Charles W. Bixby.

County Highway Supervisor Myron C. Flanders of Tunbridge was in town last Thursday to meet the selectmen and road commissioners.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Gates, Monday, April 5.

Mrs. Charles R. Corwin of Somerville, Mass., was in town visiting friends last week and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Corwin.

Cadets John W. Sprague and Gerald A. Bixby returned to their studies at Norwich university last week Tuesday.

Col. Herbert O. Bixby was confined to his home by reason of illness several days last week.

Miss Olive Dennison of Washington spent several days in town recently as the guest of Mrs. F. Townsend.

Mrs. Nellie Thompson, who has been spending several weeks at the home of her son, Leonard I. Thompson, has gone to West Fairlee to visit her daughter, Mrs. Herbert R. Kingsbury.

Mrs. Arthur H. Camp has been appointed administratrix of the estate of her late husband and Stanley C. Wilson and Fred A. Ordway have been appointed commissioners on the estate.

Leonard Hatch, who has been a recent guest of his cousin, Edward R. Hatch, went last week to Montreal on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Farrington, who for the past three years have lived on the George H. Bacon farm on the west hill, have gone to Cabot for a temporary stay to take care of an aged relative. Their son and daughter are running the farm during their absence.

Mrs. Hatch W. Chamberlin was called to Stratford last week by the alarming condition of her grandson, Ralph Chamberlin, who was operated on for appendicitis. Reports following the operation gave more hope of his recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Angell and Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Harrington of East Brookfield and Dr. E. G. Sprague of Barre were guests at the home of their brother, W. H. Sprague, last Friday.

The remains of Mrs. James Roberts, who died at her home in Lowell, Mass., last Wednesday, were brought here for interment, arriving here last Saturday morning, accompanied by her son, Harry J. Roberts. Interment was in the Roberts family lot in Highland cemetery.

Mr. Roberts returned to Lowell on the afternoon train.

A. A. Goodrich was in Northfield last Tuesday to deliver a Studebaker touring car he had previously sold to a resident of that town.

Mrs. Laura A. Meade, who has been house during the past year for John Sprague, late of East Brookfield, has returned to town and is stopping at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edward J. Cook, on the west hill.

Mrs. Hattie King, who has been having trouble with one limb for several months, went last week to the Mary Fletcher hospital in Burlington for treatment and possibly an operation.

## MONTPELIER

At the regular weekly shoot of the Montpelier Rifle and Revolver club, Dr. W. G. Bridge won the silver cup. Out of a possible 150, Bridge made 129; Sullivan, 127; Medler, 126; Moulton, 126; Wheeler, 124; Malone, 121; Dickinson, 120.

A daughter was born Saturday in Toledo, O., to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ballard, a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Ballard.

Leroy Sleeper died Sunday after a two weeks' illness with heart trouble. He was born in Corinth, Vt., June 6, 1850, and after removing to Chelsea carried on a flour and grain business for many years. Going to Saranac Lake, N. Y., he became foreman of the Saranac Inn association, but his health failed and he came to Montpelier about six years ago. He is survived by a widow, one son and five daughters. A prayer service will be held here to-morrow and the remains will be taken to Chelsea, where funeral services will be held at the Methodist church.

E. N. Bailey was in city court yesterday, charged with a first offense of intoxication. He pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$5 and costs. Nelson Robinson, who was fined the same amount, with cost, for a like offense, was unable to pay and went to jail for 20 days.

Harrison Lombard is to commence at once the erection of a hay barn, 25 by 30 feet, to accommodate what stock was left from the fire, which destroyed all his farm buildings. Further than that his plans are thus far immature.

A surprise party was given at the home of Miss Helen McCreary in honor of Carlisle Tanner of Lynn, Mass., who is visiting at the home of Miss McCreary. The evening was enjoyed by all. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served by Misses Helen Worthen and Miss Etta Gladd.

## BERLIN

The regular meeting of Mirror Lake grange occurs Friday evening, April 16, which is "unmarried people's night."

The following program has been arranged: Piano solo, Edna Clafford; essay, "Why I Like the Sugar Season," Richard Churchill; current events, Kenneth Turner; essay, "What Music Is to the Home," Annie Sedina; vocal solo, Stella Gonyea; recitation, Mildred Churchill; question, "Resolved, That It Is More Profitable for a Young Man to Learn a Trade Than Be a Farmer," affirmative, George Winslow and Harvey Dodge; negative, William Cheney and Lawrence Brown; reading, Leslie Brown.

Carroll Pike and Bert Winslow have returned to Burlington to resume their studies at U. V. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parsons and family spent the week end at their home in Berlin Corner.

**EAST BRAINTREE**

Mrs. Corcoran, who lives with her daughter, Mrs. William Perkins, is failing daily.

A very pleasant social was held in the church yesterday Friday evening by the G. A. R. and their families in remembrance of the surrender of General Lee. Mrs. S. L. Wheeler started Tuesday for Rhineclaire, Wis., to visit a sister.

Mrs. George Tupper of Barre is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Abel. Miss Nadine Scribner goes to Middlesex next week, where she is to teach for the coming term.

The village school begins on Monday, April 19. Miss Elsie Dillwell is teacher. Miss Emma Flint is to teach in the Clough district.

Ralph Spaulding, who has been working for his brother, Roy, the past winter, goes to Springfield, Mass., Saturday.

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## RANDOLPH

Miss Nettie Robbins, who is a teacher of art in the high school at Bayonne, N. J., after passing a week with her mother, Mrs. Cora Robbins, left on Sunday to resume her work the first of the week.

Luther Rhodes, the son of the late Lyman Rhodes, who was called here by his father's illness, left on Monday for his home in Lincoln.

A. H. Beedle went to Burlington on Monday to take the two, five and seven-year-old sons of Homer Bingham, who have been living with their grandparents, to the St. Joseph school for boys. Mrs. Bingham died a few years ago, and Mr. Bingham has left town, leaving the town to care for the children.

Among those who left here on Monday for St. Albans, where they are to attend the state G. A. R. encampment, and the Woman's Relief corps, were Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Ketchum, E. N. Rising, Capt. B. F. Bowman, Helen Wood, Mrs. Jennie Fish, Mrs. Lucinda Wood, Mrs. Ada Carr, whose daughter, Mrs. Manastropia, of St. Albans, was here over Sunday and returned home with them; and Mrs. N. C. Greene.

Mrs. John Howell of Barre was the guest of Mrs. N. C. Greene over Sunday, returning home on Monday morning.

Miss Mildred Goodwin left on Sunday for Sharon, where she resumed teaching in the graded school in that village.

Rev. E. G. Ladd, a former pastor of the Congregational church in town, but later of Woodstock, was in town Monday visiting old parishioners, and friends.

Lieut. DeWitt Webb of Medford, Mass., who has been with his father in East Granville and later here on a visit with relatives, returned to his home on Monday.

Delbert Dyke has come from Bethel to work for a time for the Jerd Brothers' market.

Miss Fieda Martin, after passing her Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Martin, returned on Monday morning to Saratoga Springs, where she is to resume her studies at Skidmore hall.

The opening meeting of home economic week at the parish house was very encouraging, with an attendance of 62, a much larger attendance than in places previously visited. Mrs. Dimock, and Miss Thayer arrived here on the morning train from the north, and the first afternoon the subject considered was "Greater Variety in Common Foods."

Miss Caroline Hatch is the assistant here, and is present at most of the meetings to assist them in their work.

## ADAMANT

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Drinkwater of Montpelier were in town Sunday, visiting at the home of J. V. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Smith have gone to Plum Island, Mass., for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Horr have bought the red house on the corner, owned by Walter Smith.

Aro Sklayton is moving to his new home, in East Calais, recently purchased. John Graham has bought the stage route of Claude Young from North Calais to Montpelier, and has taken possession.

Jessie Wood has finished work at the home of J. C. Cattach in Montpelier and is at home for a few weeks' vacation.

Thad. Wood and family were entertained at the home of Charles Parker in Calais, Sunday.

W. I. Richard and family and Addie Parker were at Russell Collins' Sunday to attend the sugar party given at their camp.

Rep. Hatch and mother and Lee Parker are among those who have grip and severe colds. All the sick are better.

## MARSHFIELD.

To-night! The Nellie Gill Players will present "A Bachelor's Romance" in Marshfield to-night. Everyone has read and heard about these clever players. This is their first visit to Marshfield. Price of admission the same to everybody—25c.

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## BETHEL

Principal Lockwood of High School to Enter Harvard Law School.

Edward J. Lockwood, for three years principal of Whitecomb high school, has resigned and will enter Harvard law school next fall.

Miss Grace Gilman returned yesterday from Florida, where she spent the winter. On her way she visited her sisters, Edith and Esther Gilman, who are attending college in New York.

Mrs. A. B. Putnam and Mrs. Cora Bradley have returned from Springfield, Mass., where they spent the winter.

Mrs. Clara (Raymond) Baker died Saturday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. D. Greene, after an illness of nearly four weeks with heart disease, from which she had suffered more or less for three years. She was 75 years of age and was the widow of Philander Baker, who died four weeks ago, aged 92 years.

She was born in Stowe, Aug. 1, 1830, and her first husband was Richard Bee. She was married 45 years ago to Mr. Baker and most of their married life was spent in Rochester on the old Baker farm, 3½ miles from Rochester village. Thirteen years ago they came to Bethel and made their home at Dr. Greene's.

The other children are William P. Baker of Rochester and Mrs. P. L. Martin of Bethel. Funeral services were held this morning at 9:30. Rev. E. L. Halliwell officiating, and the body was taken to Rochester for burial.

Mrs. Royal Hazard of Swanton is visiting at Hugh C. Wilson's.

Mrs. Emmeline Fisher is in quite poor health and is attended by a nurse.

Mrs. Mahala Cram of Lawrence, Mass., is a guest at Austin Hovey's.

Whitecomb high school baseball club has been reorganized for the season of 1915 and has entered into the same arrangement as that of last year, by which eight high school teams in Windsor county will contend for the pennant, which was won in 1914 by Whitecomb high school. Without four of last year's best players, there is, of course, much doubt of the team's strength; but the first try-out last Saturday indicated fair prospects of a successful season. Everett Grant is manager and Claude Williamson is captain. George Lavelle looks extra well in the box this year and is the big hope of the team.

The funeral of Joseph W. Curtis was attended by a large number of neighbors and fellow workers at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon. The corrected list of bearers is as follows: Warren Averill, Warren Bell, William George, John Jordan, Mark Savage, and George Stark. The body was taken to Calais, Me., for interment.

E. S. Putnam has bought of E. J. Colton the Curtis farm, so called, on the east side of the branch, one mile north of this village.

Charles N. Brown is seriously ill with pneumonia.

The Woman's club met yesterday at Odd Fellows hall. There was a vocal solo by Miss Rebecca Fish and a piano solo by Mrs. N. M. Gay.

Among those from out of town who attended the funeral of Mrs. Philander Baker were Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Tupper of Montpelier.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Rider of Boston were here to attend the funeral of J. W. Curtis, and Mrs. Rider is staying a while with Mrs. Curtis.

## AMUSEMENT NOTES.

Boston English Opera Company Coming With an All Star Cast.

The roster of the Boston English Opera company, which comes to the opera house Thursday evening, April 15, is the world's most popular opera. It Trovatore is an impressive one. Among its members are the foremost stars on the English singing operatic stage to-day, including such artists as Joseph F. Sheehan, the greatest of all American tenors, Miss Mirth Carmen, one of the finest Leonoras ever heard in this country;

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## INSECTS AND INSECTICIDES.

To Know Them Is the First Step Toward Extermination.

With the approach of spring, those of us living under our own vine and fig tree must prepare for the annual battle with insect enemies and their allies, the fungi. The wiser ones will not wait for the devastating horde, but will open the campaign themselves, by acquiring all information possible about the enemy and taking notes of the habits of the commoner insects and the causes and characteristics of the fungus diseases to be met.

The first warm sunny spring day make a point of examining the ornamental and fruit trees, as well as the shrubs and berry bushes. Perhaps on one of the apple trees will be noticed a tiny round dark-brown spot about one-sixteenth of an inch in diameter, with a darker spot in the center. Look carefully, for it requires a very sharp eye to see this most insidious and destructive of all the insect pests, namely, the San Jose scale. It multiplies with marvelous rapidity, and, not content with destroying fruit trees, it also attacks ornamental trees and shrubs. The San Jose scale is a sucking insect, and, like all sucking insects, it must be destroyed by smothering. Lime and sulphur solution or scalecide will do the work effectively and will also destroy oyster-shell scale and spruce bark louse.

When To Spray.

The time to spray trees and shrubs for scale is between October and spring before the leaves start. On another tree, perhaps, might be found the oyster-shell bark louse; it is about the color of the bark on which it grows, and is very injurious where it occurs in large numbers; if looks a little like an oyster and like other scale insects, it really succumbs to lime and sulphur solution or scalecide.

Among the early insects to arrive are the codling moths, which are the common cause of wormy apples. The female deposits her eggs in the calyx (the top of the eye) of the apple just as the blossoms fall. On hatching, the worm eats into the apple, where it lives happily until ready to change to the moth. The remedy for this is a preventive one: spray just after the blossoms fall, never before, with arsenate of lead, which comes in the form of a paste, obtainable from any seedsmen. The proportion is one ounce of arsenate of lead to one gallon of water. If the trees are to be sprayed as a preventive against scale, canker, and leaf spot diseases with Bordeaux, then it saves much time if both the first signs of it, then pick the Bordeaux-arsenate of lead mixture in the proportion of three ounces to one gallon of water.

The canker worm is a small measuring worm which defoliates the trees in May and June. The time to destroy it is just before the blossoms open, when it is just hatching, by spraying with two pounds of arsenate of lead in 50 gallons of water; repeat later if it is seen again.

Scale-bearers and budmoths must also be looked for on young leaves and buds; the former, a small caterpillar, lives in a little pistol or cigar-shaped case, while the latter is a brown caterpillar, but the Bordeaux and arsenate mixture will soon do away with them.

The tent caterpillar appears every year, and the only sure means of destroying this destructive pest is to watch the first sign of it, then pick the small nests off at night and either burn them or dip them in kerosene. Under no circumstances should the nests be burned on the trees, as the burning injures the trees. It is quite possible to destroy many of these caterpillars while still in the form of eggs, which may be seen in circular clusters surrounding the small twigs. The fall web worm appears in the summer and autumn, and also lives in a tent is often mistaken for the tent caterpillar; it should be destroyed, however, in the same way.

In addition to this by no means complete list, there is the yellow-necked and red-necked caterpillar. Also the pear psylla, a minute insect which occasionally does much injury to pear trees by sucking the sap. Its presence is indicated by the honey dew, which is excreted by the insect in large quantities.

## Other Insecticides.

It will be noted that the biting insects are destroyed by poison in contrast to the sucking insects, which are killed by smothering. It must not be supposed, however, that either lime and sulphur or scalecide are advocated for all forms of sucking pests; in fact, it is often advisable to use a non-poisonous insecticide such as kerosene-emulsion, made by dissolving one pound of naphtha soap in two and one-half gallons of boiling water by thoroughly stirring for a few minutes. Then pouring two and one-half gallons of kerosene into the dissolved soap and mixing thoroughly by dipping it twice through a bucket sprayer, after which it should be diluted with 20 gallons of water. The above mixture may be used on Alders for woolly auld aphids; viburnum for aphids; currants, for currant aphid and for reddish or yellow and black bug known as a four-lined plant bug; apple for apple plant lice and woolly aphids; cherry, for aphids; plum, for plum scale; elm, for bark louse; maple, for aphids; bark louse (black-headed scale), cottony maple scale.

In addition to insect pests there will be fungi to overcome, and for this purpose Bordeaux may be depended upon. The usual proportions being 4-4-36, which means: Copper sulphate four pounds, fresh lime one pound, and water 36 gallons. To destroy insects which bite, add one-fourth pound arsenate of lead or paris green to 30 gallons of Bordeaux.

Nearly all fruit trees and bushes will need to be sprayed four or five times during the season in order to overcome both insects and fungi, and as a final word of caution never spray fruit trees or any other trees or shrubs when in blossom.

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From a standpoint of production, the Boston English Opera company, has exceeded all previous efforts. Special attention has been given that every detail is carried out to perfection, making the most picture one of rare beauty. There are few opera which give the opportunity for beautiful stage setting which "Il Trovatore" does; its eight different scenes are all picturesque to the extreme and full advantage has been taken to make this end of the production on a par with its wonderful artistry which comprise the Boston English Opera company.—Adv.

Miss Elaine De Sellem, whose characterization of the Gypsy bag as Armosena, is said to be the finest piece of character acting in the annals of opera in English; Arthur Deane, the renowned English baritone, Miss Grace Donson, one of America's foremost prima donnas, Harold J. Geis, whose beautiful bass has been heard in many of the leading operatic productions in this country; Mr. Henry Devere, Mr. William Hamilton, Mr. Clark Harcourt, Miss Mercedes Dalmasda, Miss Louise Fleming, etc.

In addition to this unequalled cast of principals there will be an unusually attractive chorus, both as to voice and beauty and the simple announcement that the orchestra will be under the leadership of Mr. Arthur Pelt, is in itself a guarantee of excellence in that direction.

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